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Title:	INTEGRATED GENOMIC SERVICES		

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of three months (from September 30, 2003 to December 30, 2003) within which to respond to the Office Communication dated June 30, 2003. A check in the amount of \$1063.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Order No. A-68957-1/AMP/JFB(467135-00078)).

Respectfully submitted,

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